

ASHWAUBENON BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held on Monday, November 10, 2008

A. CALL TO ORDER:

President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the District Offices.

B. ROLL CALL:

Board Members Present: Aubinger, Crowley, Laukka, Van Laanen, Williams
Board Members Excused: None
Others Present: Dave Schmidt, Keith Lucius, Wendy Catalano, Brian Nelsen, Linda Noel,
Brad Taylor, Kurt Weyers, Mark Sheedy, Maria Arena

C. DECLARATION OF QUORUM:

Quorum present.

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge was recited.

E. ADOPT AGENDA:

Moved by Aubinger, seconded by Laukka to adopt the agenda as written. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

F. CITIZENS AND/OR DELEGATIONS:

1. Public Forum: No one appeared.

G. CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Van Laanen, seconded by Laukka to approve items #1,2,4,5, and 6 of the consent agenda as follows:

- Minutes of the regular meeting held on Monday, October 27, 2008,
- Schedule of high school athletic checks written 10/21/08 – 10/31/08,
- Schedule of checks written #72352 - #72368 written 10/21/08 – 11/03/08,
- Schedule of checks written #72370 - #72472 written 10/21/08 – 11/03/08, and
- Schedule of manual checks written 10/21/08 – 11/03/08.

Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

Moved by Van Laanen, seconded by Laukka to approve Item #3 – schedule of check #72369 written 10/31/08 to the Ashwaubenon Howard Suamico Press. Aye 4, nay 0, abstain 1 (Aubinger). Motion carried 4:0:1.

H. DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION ITEMS:

1. District Media Technology Plan

Dave Schmidt explained that Wendy Catalano will be conducting a review and update of the District's media technology plan as required by the State of Wisconsin. The board will get the final plan for adoption next April.

Wendy said this is a requirement of ESEA and it needs to be updated every three years. She explained how the plan is connected to district activities such as technology, assessment, data. She said it is a really great process to look at the District's technology in a full scope. She said things will be done differently this year – the Stevens Group will be working with Vicki Santacroce to develop the update. This will give the District some outside guidance on the update. They will be working with various groups to meet the needs of the plan and the District.

The cost for the Stevens Group will be about \$5,000 to do the entire process and the Board will get an electronic copy to review before final adoption is required.

Mike Aubinger had several questions about the Stevens Group and their focus on the media plan. Wendy Catalano and Dave Schmidt explained the different focus the Stevens Group will bring to the district in updating the media plan. Wendy said it is not just the Stevens Group writing the plan but also having them guide us through the process and also having a set of fresh eyes looking at what the District is doing.

Mike Aubinger said he would ask that the Stevens Group also look at the cost/benefit of some of the technology the District has purchased and how the technology is being used.

J. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dave Schmidt said he has five items to review with the Board this evening.

- On Friday of this week the Board will be getting some information to review for next Monday's Board/Administrative Team Worksession on District/Strategic Goals. Feel free to contact Dave with any questions prior to Monday's meeting. The plan is to have the Board adopt the goals in the month of January.
- The District is moving ahead with the implementation of AlertNow in the District. Dave explained how this will be used and implemented.
- WASB Convention in January.
- December 8th Board meeting will have a number of items but one issue will be curriculum choice. This will be presented to the Board for their consideration with adoption sometime in January.
- School Facts: Two customized reports were requested this year; Former Bay Conference and Similar Demographic Districts. Dave explained we will be using some of this data to set goals and monitor progress in the District.

K. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Budget Carryover Request

Keith reviewed this issue with the Board. This year we are looking at \$11,646 to carry over. Those accounts with negative balances will have their budgets reduced by the same amount this year. Ginny Laukka had a question on the athletic budget at the High School. Keith explained that he met and is working with Dave Steavpack on this budget issue and increased costs for transportation due to the conference realignment.

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Aubinger to approve the budget carryover in the amount of R11,646 as requested. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

2. Line of Credit

Keith Lucius explained the need for this request. He feels that at this time we probably won't need to borrow funds but he would like the process in place in case it becomes necessary for a short time in the month of November and also the month of June. Keith also explained that the rates are very competitive right now (about 4.5%).

Moved by Aubinger, seconded by Van Laanen to approve the Line of Credit with Associated Bank in the amount of \$1,000,000. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

3. Human Resources: Staff Resignation

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Van Laanen to approve the staff resignation submitted by Misty Frisch from her Noon Duty Supervisor Position at Parkview Middle School effective 11/07/08. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

4. Human Resources: Staff Appointment:

Moved by Van Laanen, seconded by Laukka to approve the staff appointment of Mark Perrigo to fill the Noon Duty Supervisor position at Valley View Elementary School effective 11/03/08. This position is available due to the resignation of Michelle Bertrand and Mark will be compensated \$9.50/hour. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

5. Human Resources: Co-Curricular Contract:

Moved by Laukka, seconded by Aubinger to approve the co-curricular contracts as recommended. Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

6. Revising Board Agenda:

Bob Crowley explained the reasoning behind this request. He said the Board always has the option of pulling an item for separate consideration/discussion if needed.

Dave Schmidt said Districts typically do this but do not include the appointment of teachers and administrators – they are handled separately.

Other Board members were comfortable with this change.

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Aubinger to place human resource issues under the consent agenda for Board consideration with the exceptions being:

- Teacher appointments
- Administrator appointments
- Leaves of Absence

Aye 5, nay 0. Motion carried 5:0.

L. BOARD & SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICAITONS

- Mike Aubinger said he wanted to compliment Kurt Weyers, Principal at Valley View School, on his efforts to keep members of the community and the neighborhood informed on the school and what is taking place.
- Jay Van Laanen had a question on the use of the Valley View parking lot on game days and the potential for fundraising for the district like was done in the past.

M. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS & TOPICS:

Future topics:

- Audit – Board members were comfortable with reviewing the audit report and asking questions that may arise. It will be placed on the next agenda for Board approval.
- Ginny said she would like a follow-up report on the participation rate on the band trip to New York City, how fundraising activities are affecting the students who want to participate, and trip costs and their impact on the number of students who are able to go on the trip(s).
- Mike Aubinger asked that Keith keep the Board informed on the proposed WRS rate increase and how it will impact our local budgets.

N. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Corlwey, seconded by Aubinger to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Aye 4, nay 0. Motion carried 4:0.

Respectfully submitted,



Jay Van Laanen, Clerk